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CARBURIZED SILICON GATE INSULATORS FOR INTEGRATED

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action mailed April 27, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please amend the claims as follows:

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3.(Amended) An integrated circuit memory device supported by a semiconductor substrate, the device comprising:

a source and a drain separated by a channel supported by a semiconductor substrate;

a floating gate supported by the substrate and extending between the source and drain above the channel;

a control gate formed adjacent to and insulated from the floating gate; and an insulative layer of amorphous carbur zed silicon formed between the channel

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4.(Amended) An integrated circuit capacitor supported by a semiconductor substrate, the capacitor comprising:

a first conductor layer supported by the substrate;

a dielectric layer of amorphous carburized silicon formed on top of the first conductor layer; and

a second conductor layer formed on top of the dielectric layer.

